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TITLE: HYBRID DRIVE SYSTEM WHEREIN CLUTCH IS ENGAGED
WHEN ENGINE SPEED HAS EXCEEDED MOTOR SPEED UPON
SWITCHING FROM MOTOR DRIVE MODE TO ENGINE DRIVE
MODE

ART UNIT: 3618

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

SIR:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 7, 2004, the Applicant respectfully submits the following.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.